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April 29, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

CITY OF ARCADIA – MULTICELL CONDUIT
AND FIBER OPTIC CABLE DESIGN PROJECT
AWARD OF CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5
3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to execute a consultant services agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., to prepare plans, specifications, and estimates for the City of Arcadia – Multicell Conduit and Fiber Optic Cable Design Project and to establish the effective date following the Board of Supervisors' approval. The agreement will be for a not-to-exceed fee of $94,188 to be financed with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Grant Funds and Proposition C Local Return Funds.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

We are recommending that your Board award and authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to execute a consultant services agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., for the preparation of construction documents for the proposed City of Arcadia – Multicell Conduit and Fiber Optic Cable Design Project located in the City of Arcadia, and to establish the effective date following your Board's approval.

When construction documents and jurisdictional approvals are completed, tentatively scheduled for October 2004, we plan to return to your Board to adopt plans, specifications, and advertise for bids to construct the project.

The project includes the design of a multicell conduit and fiber optic cable along Huntington Drive (westbound), Santa Clara Street, Baldwin Avenue, and Santa Anita Avenue. As part of our efforts to proceed with intelligent transportation systems on arterials of regional significance, Public Works has successfully used consulting firms to perform design work of a similar nature on other projects.

The fiber optic cable interconnect to be designed along these arterials will support this region's traffic signal network, closed-circuit television cameras, dynamic message signs, and the future traffic management center which will house the traffic control system (TCS). The TCS provides for continuous monitoring of traffic conditions and traffic signal operations and builds upon the benefits achieved by the traffic signal synchronization projects currently underway.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

These recommendations are consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goals of Service Excellence and Organizational Effectiveness. This consultant services agreement will enable the recommended work to be completed faster and more efficiently as our staff is currently committed to other projects and this project's objectives fall within the selected consultant's field of expertise. These recommendations are also consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Children and Families' Well-Being, as the implementation of these actions will result in reduced traffic congestion and delay, improved mobility, and reduced vehicle emissions, thus improving the overall quality of life for the residents of the County of Los Angeles.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County's General Fund. This project will be financed with reimbursement from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (MTA) 1995 Call for Projects Proposition C Discretionary Grant Funds for the West San Gabriel Valley Traffic Signal Forum and County matching funds. Sufficient appropriation for this project is included in the Fiscal Year 2003-04 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget. The MTA is providing approximately 88 percent of the funds, and the County will finance the remaining 12 percent matching funds.

The recommended agreement for design of the project is for a not-to-exceed fee of $94,188, including $15,698 for unforeseen additional work that may arise during progress of the work. Additional work within this allowance will not be performed without prior written authorization from the Director of Public Works, or his designee.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

A standard agreement in the form previously approved by County Counsel will be used. The standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination, renegotiation, and hiring qualified displaced County employees will be included.

As required by your Board, language has been incorporated into the consultant services agreement stating that the consultant shall notify its employees, and shall require each subconsultant to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws. The agreement also contains provisions requiring the consultant to comply with the Safely Surrendered Baby Law.

As requested by your Board on August 12, 1997, and as a threshold requirement for consideration of a contract award, Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., is willing to consider Greater Avenues for Independence Program participants for future employment.

Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., is in full compliance with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program).

Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., adheres to the provisions of the County's Ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Programs") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

A finding of environmental impact is not required to award a consultant services agreement for design services. The appropriate environmental documentation will be completed prior to returning to your Board to request authorization to adopt and advertise plans and specifications to construct the project.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On April 10, 2002, Public Works issued a request for proposals to 31 firms to develop a select list of qualified consultants to provide as-needed traffic design services and 19 firms submitted proposals for review and evaluation. An evaluation committee, consisting of Public Works engineering staff, evaluated the proposals. These evaluations were based on technical expertise, proposed work plan, experience, personnel qualifications, and understanding of the work requirements. These evaluations were completed without regard to race, creed, color, or gender.

Based on the review and evaluation of these proposals, the committee developed a select list of eight qualified firms. The firms selected were Van Dell and Associates; Transtech Engineers; Willdan Associates; Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.; Meyer, Mohaddes Associates; Parsons Transportation Group; Katz, Okitsu and Associates; and Albert Grover and Associates. As stated in the request for proposal, Public Works shall select consultants from the select list of qualified consultants for each project in order of established evaluation ranking. Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., is the next firm on the list.

Participation by Community Business Enterprise (CBE) in the project is encouraged through Public Works' CBE Outreach Program and the requirement that consultants demonstrate their good faith effort to utilize CBEs. Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., is aware of Public Works' CBE Outreach Program and their proposed CBE participation is on file with Public Works.

Public Works has evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to the recommended agreement, as this agreement is for non-Proposition A services.

As requested by your Board on February 3, 1998, and to further increase consultant awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, the request for proposal to develop the select list of qualified consultants was posted on the "Doing Business with the County" website. Enclosed is a copy of the website posting for your reference.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no negative impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended consultant services.

CONCLUSION

At such time as this recommendation is approved, please return one copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Department of Public Social Services (GAIN Program)

Award information has not been added at this time.

Bid Information

Bid Number : AED0000002
Bid Title : TRAFFIC DESIGN SERVICES - Development of Select Lists
Bid Type : Service
Department : Public Works
Commodity : ENGINEERING -TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION
Open Date : 4/10/2002
Closing Date : 5/2/2002 5:00 PM
Bid Amount : N/A
Bid Download : Not Available
Bid Description : The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (Public Works) is inviting proposals from qualified firms to provide various traffic engineering services.
The objective of this solicitation is to assemble two separate select lists of up to eight of the most qualified firms that demonstrate the highest level of experience and capability to provide the requested services.

Public Works may need Consultant assistance in one or both of the services listed below. Consultants may submit proposals for one or more of the service(s) described herein. A separate proposal is required for each Service. Consultants must clearly identify the Service for which a proposal package is being submitted. The services are: A) Traffic Design, and B) Traffic Signal System Design.

If you have any questions regarding this Request for Proposals or would like a copy, email Mr. Morelos at dmorelos@dpw.co.la.ca.us, or send a fax to (626) 979-5311.

Amendment Date : 4/15/2002 April 15, 2002

TRAFFIC DESIGN SERVICES
DEVELOPMENT OF SELECT LISTS

Notice to Proposers "A"

This Notice to Proposers forms part of the Request for Proposals (RFP) and clarifies certain portions thereof:

A. REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

1.Refer to Page 1, Section 1.2 Proposals.

A. Delete paragraph in its entirety and replace with the following paragraph.

1.2 Proposals

Proposers are requested to submit proposals offering various traffic engineering services in accordance with Section 2, and in a format specified in Section 8 of this Request for Proposals (RFP).

Kindly notify your subconsultants to this effect.

If you have any questions regarding this project, please email Mr. Dennis Morelos at dmorelos@ladpw.org or send fax to (626) 979-5311.

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